

Bear Lake

Soil and Water Conservation District



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SWCD Board Meetings: 1st Monday of each month

Top 7 Conservation Priorities

1. Water Quality & Quantity
2. Rangeland
3. Invasive Species
4. District Operations
5. Urban Interface
6. Cropland
7. Public Outreach and Education

2013 Revenue

State Funding	\$20,434.58
County Funding	\$6,450.00
Funds Administered	
ECC Grant	\$26,168.00
Highlands CWMA	\$35,700.00
Georgetown SRF	\$140,934.66
CB Fuels Reduction Grant	\$56,587.50
Balance due on loans to	
Local Irrigation Companies	\$21,907.24
Total	\$301,181.98

Recent Projects



Camp Bartlett Fuels Reduction Grant was completed in November of this year. The need for protection around and near summer homes in Bear Lake is becoming more and more important due to the drought and fire danger. Camp Bartlett is a summer camp owned by the Boys Scouts of America. Where young boys ranging in ages of 12-15 attend to earn merit badges to help them prepare for their Eagle Scout award. These grants provide assistance to landowners to clear the undergrowth under and around trees and structures to help eliminate the damage during a wildfire.

Georgetown SRF/319 Grant: Over the last 3 years the district has worked with 2 landowners on a conservation grant award through the state SRF and DEQ 319 program. This project has helped our landowners install cross fencing in large pastures, livestock watering systems and relocated corrals off a creek that was listed on the 303d list. We will be able to complete the project during 2014.

Corral Relocation due to annual spring runoff.



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Educational Programs



Bear Lake County Fair 2013

- Conducted a Tree Sales Program in conjunction with the Bear Lake FFA Chapter and awarded 5 scholarships to graduating Bear Lake Seniors who plan to attend college.
- Sponsor the poster contest for 100 students at the BLMS using the NACD theme "Where Does Your Watershed?"
- Spent the day with the 6th grade science classes.
- Conducted an Annual District tour showcasing a fuels reduction grant, SRF loan, NRCS EQIP project.
- Held an essay contest in conjunction with the Highlands CWMA to promote weed awareness.
- Held the annual Cooperator of the Year Banquet.
- Participated in the Bear Lake County Fair educating the public by using the NACD theme "Where Does Your Watershed?"



Garth Boehme, Chairman
Kerry Romrell, Vice Chairman
Jennifer Jenson, Secretary
James Hardcastle, Treasurer
Mark Parker, Member
Lisa Transtrum, Administrative Assistant

Continued Projects

The Bear Lake Soil & Water Conservation District plans to continue working on meeting the requirements of the ISWCC and IASCD and IDEA. We are anticipating updating our 5 year Plan and Annual Plan of Work along with Financial/Match and Performance reports. We plan to continue working with Division V in quarterly staff meeting and training.

This past year we were able to hold 2 combined trainings with Division VI personnel and supervisors sponsored by IDEA.



We hosted the Fall Division V meeting and participated in the Annual IASCD Conference held in Boise, Idaho.



We are honoring Two Cooperators of the Year this Year. Their example and assistance given to local landowners in Bear Lake County is much appreciated. Suzann Parrish (retiring) and Rex Payne (retiring) with the FSA Office in Montpelier, Idaho.



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CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**PERFORMANCE
REPORT
CERTIFICATION**

DISTRICT:

Bear Lake SWCD

FOR YEAR:

2013

DUE :

December 20, 2013

CERTIFICATION

On behalf of my local Board of Supervisors, I hereby certify that the attached Performance Report is true and accurate, and further submit said Report for the above named District and fiscal year.

A copy of this Performance Report shall be kept at the District office and is available for public inspection.



Board Supervisor Signature

Garth Boehme

Printed Name

12/3/2013

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